

But no response from here. The response to the border, as we know, is to encourage more traffic, allow asylum to be abused, stop building the fence. There are parts of the fence sitting in a field rusting in Texas. We are paying contractors not to build the fence. But paying people not to do things is what my colleagues on the other side of the aisle are particularly good at.

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Let's borrow lots of money, print lots of money to pay people not to build a fence.

Can I get into the not-doing-things business? Maybe my colleagues will be glad to have me not do Congress. Can I get paid to not do Congress, since we are in the not-doing-things business? It is absolutely absurd what we are doing on a daily basis endangering this country.

Secretary Mayorkas, President Biden, utterly refusing to enforce our laws of a border, failing to faithfully execute the laws, refusing to use Title 42, refusing to use the Migrant Protection Protocols.

Dead bodies keep piling up in South Texas. I have talked about it here before, again, to an empty Chamber. Steak dinners are much more important than the migrants who are dying in South Texas.

We talked about that, right? We have a body trailer that a sheriff had to haul in to put the bodies in the body trailer. Does anybody care? Does anybody care about the rape trees? Does anybody care about the stash houses where little girls get raped? Does anybody care about the cartels making tons of money—moving people, by the way, into our country who want to hurt us.

Rather than exporting the rule of law and building a strong relationship with Mexico and building a strong relationship with Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras—the rest of the Western Hemisphere—to kick China's butt, we are retreating. We are importing lawlessness, importing people who aren't always wanting to do us good. And we are endangering our country in the process.

We are shutting down power plants. China is building power plants. Our President is literally sitting with a bunch of leaders who flew 40 some-odd private jets to hang out and preach about climate change, and they are not going to dent climate change. We got out of the Paris Agreement, and we outperformed the Paris Agreement. How? By burning clean, natural gas, exporting it and working to try to use technology and innovation around the world to have clean, abundant energy that empowers human flourishing.

There are billions around the planet right now that would die to be sitting in a room like this with air conditioning or heating and lighting. They are burning dung, wood, paper—whatever they can get. And we have all these holier-than-thou's running

around preaching to people, taking cold water baths, seeking to truly decimate human life, undo human flourishing—all in the name of bowing down to the altar of a secular worship of a planet that they are actually harming with their absurdity. And in the process, endangering us through our national security.

While China builds coal-fired plants, while China builds missiles, we conduct classes on critical race theory and on climate change. That is what we are doing to our country.

As we look ahead next week, this body will not be meeting, and we will be celebrating Veterans Day. And every single one of us will, no doubt, go to an event, try to visit with veterans, thanking them for their service. But I have got to be honest with you. What do I tell those veterans when they come to me and say, Were the last 20 years worth it?

I would tell them it was worth it because they fought, and they stood up to defend this country to keep terrorists from attacking us on this soil. But they are asking a reasonable question when the President of the United States abandons Americans, abandons assets, empowers our enemy, empowers China, leaves our border open, destroys our economy, undermines our ability to produce clean burning energy, leaves a future for our children weaker against the world without the ability to have the kind of flourishing and prosperity that you deserve as Americans.

I don't know what the result is going to be in Virginia tonight, but I know one thing: there are a lot of American people awakening to the absolute disaster that is being inflicted on this country by a radical leftist regime, whether it is in this body, in the Senate, in this administration, or in the Capitol building designed by Jefferson in Richmond, Virginia. Or in the halls of the school board in Loudoun County, sitting on their hands, allowing another little girl to get sexually assaulted because they wouldn't actually address the fact that a girl had been assaulted and they knew it and they did nothing about it.

And then the Democratic candidate in Virginia says parents have no place on the school board. But guess what? The American people think they do, and they are right. The American people know we should have parents on the school boards, parents in the classrooms impacting what their kids are learning. And they don't want to turn it over to leftist radicals who want to remake our country, teach their kids that up is down and down is up. But that is what is happening.

The American people are waking up around this country. They are awakening in Virginia. They are awakening in Texas. They are awakening where they are kicking out people from their school boards. And they are awakening to an administration that wants to destroy our ability to compete and beat China.

We are not going to do that. We are going to beat China. We are going to stand with Israel. We are going to have clean burning energy. We are going to be able to power our homes. We are going to be able to teach our kids what they ought to learn. We are going to stand up if there are men and women. We are going to stand up for the greatness of this country. We are going to provide the opportunity for them, not by lecturing them, not by mandating to them, not by telling them they have got to go get a vaccine, not by shutting down businesses, not by walking away, but by boldly carrying forward the America that we know through the consent of the governed doing that which we can do as Americans, without begging for permission from a government that wants to weaken our country rather than advancing.

Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(b) of House Resolution 188, the House stands adjourned until noon tomorrow.

Thereupon (at 8 o'clock and 57 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, November 3, 2021, at noon.

#### BUDGETARY EFFECTS OF PAYGO LEGISLATION

Pursuant to the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (PAYGO), Mr. YARMUTH hereby submits, prior to the vote on passage, for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, that H.R. 4256, the Investing in Main Street Act of 2021, as amended, would have no significant effect on the deficit, and therefore, the budgetary effects of such bill are estimated as zero.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC-2559. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Department of the Army, transmitting notification to Congress of the anticipated use of Selected Reserve units that will be ordered to active duty under the authority of 10 U.S.C. 12304b, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 12304b(d); Public Law 112-81, Sec. 516(a)(1); (125 Stat. 1396); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2560. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; California; Eastern Kern, Sacramento Metro, and Western Nevada 2015 Ozone Nonattainment Areas; Reclassification to Serious [EPA-R09-OAR-2021-0426; FRL-8710-02-R9] received October 28, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2561. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency,

transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Nevada; Revisions to Clark County Ozone Maintenance Plan [EPA-R09-OAR-2021-0368; FRL-8716-02-R9] received October 28, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2562. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; South Carolina; 2018 General Assembly New Source Review Update [EPA-R04-OAR-2020-0524; FRL-8762-02-R4] received October 28, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2563. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; SC; Revisions to Definitions [EPA-R04-OAR-2020-0445; FRL-8779-02-R4] received October 28, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2564. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; California; Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District [EPA-R09-OAR-2021-0524; FRL-8808-02-R9] received October 28, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2565. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Massachusetts; 111(d)/129 Revised State Plan for Large Municipal Waste Combustors [EPA-R01-OAR-2021-0265; FRL-8861-01-R1] received October 28, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2566. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Nicaragua that was declared in Executive order 13851 of November 27, 2018, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2567. A letter from the Associate General Counsel, Department of Agriculture, transmitting nineteen (19) notifications of a nomination, designation of acting officer, action on nomination, or discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC-2568. A letter from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting the Report of the Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States for the March 2021 session; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2569. A letter from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting the Conference's Article III judgeship recommendations and corresponding draft legislation for the 117th Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk

for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. DEFAZIO: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 1917. A bill to modify eligibility requirements for certain hazard mitigation assistance programs, and for other purposes (Rept. 117-170 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Financial Services discharged from further consideration. H.R. 1917. Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

## PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. CALVERT (for himself, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. COSTA, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. GARAMENDI, Ms. PORTER, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. OBERNOLTE, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. ISSA, Mr. MCCARTHY, Mrs. STEEL, Mrs. KIM of California, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. NUNES, and Mr. GARCIA of California):

H.R. 5809. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1801 Town and Country Drive in Norco, California, as the "Lance Corporal Kareem Nikoui Memorial Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. VAN DUYNE:

H.R. 5810. A bill to authorize the transfer to Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas of certain materials for the construction of the border wall, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Oversight and Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MOOLENAAR (for himself, Mr. COLE, Mr. AMODEI, Mrs. HINSON, Mr. WOMACK, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Mr. STEWART, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. CLINE, Mr. HARRIS, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. PALAZZO, and Mr. GARCIA of California):

H.R. 5811. A bill to amend the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 to prohibit the use of funds related to any rule requiring a COVID-19 vaccination, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ROY (for himself, Mr. MASSIE, and Mrs. MILLER of Illinois):

H.R. 5812. A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to repeal the requirement for unique health identifiers; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BIGGS (for himself, Mr. ROY, Mr. MASSIE, and Mr. GAETZ):

H.R. 5813. A bill to abolish the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. DONALDS (for himself, Mrs. CAMMACK, Mrs. HARSHBARGER, Mr.

FITZGERALD, Mr. JACKSON, Mr. OWENS, Mr. TIMMONS, Mr. BUDD, Mr. ROSE, and Mr. WEBSTER of Florida):

H.R. 5814. A bill to prohibit the implementation of unrealized capital gains taxation; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. ESHOO (for herself and Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York):

H.R. 5815. A bill to amend chapter 7 of title 13, United States Code, to prohibit certain deceptive practices in relation to a census, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. GOHMERT (for himself, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. BABIN, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. MAST, and Mr. GAETZ):

H.R. 5816. A bill to prohibit the federal government, or State or local government or other entity receiving federal funding, from requiring any citizen to be vaccinated, including federal agencies from requiring its employees to take any vaccination, without the citizen being fully advised in writing of all known potential risks from the vaccine and consultation with a physician followed by the voluntary informed consent of the citizen, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. KUSTOFF (for himself, Mr. HARDER of California, and Mr. OWENS):

H.R. 5817. A bill to establish due process requirements for the investigation of intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. LARSON of Connecticut (for himself and Mr. NUNES):

H.R. 5818. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers under the Medicare program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. LAWSON of Florida (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. TITUS, Ms. NEWMAN, Mrs. AXNE, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. PETERS, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. CARSON, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. KUSTER, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Ms. STANSBURY, Ms. DEAN, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. CAMMACK, Mr. BACON, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. PALAZZO, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Mr. GARBARINO, Mrs. BICE of Oklahoma, Mrs. KIM of California, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. VALADAO, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. TURNER, Ms. STEFANIK, Ms. LETLOW, Mr. TIMMONS, Mr. MEUSER, and Mr. TRONE):

H.R. 5819. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount paid by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to veterans for improvements and structural alterations furnished as part of home health services; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. LESKO:

H.R. 5820. A bill to prohibit the use of certain Federal funds to facilitate mandatory vaccination programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. LEVIN of Michigan (for himself, Mr. TONKO, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms.